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PATENT APPLICATION**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Lahcen Bennai et al

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For: A METHOD OF TRANSMITTING SIGNALING DATA

DECLARATION

I, Bernard Lamoureux, hereby declare that:

1. I am employed by Compagnie Financiere Alcatel, a subsidiary of Alcatel, the owner of the above application.
2. The two inventors of the above application are Christian Laroque and Lahcen Bennai.
3. Both inventors were at the time of the invention employed by Alcatel Business Systems, a subsidiary of Alcatel.
4. Prior to seeking execution of Declaration and Assignment forms for this application, we were advised that Mr. Laroque had moved to a new home address in Germany. On December 11, 2000, I sent the papers to Mr. Laroque at his new address in Germany. Attached as Exhibit 1 is a copy of the correspondence and an English translation of relevant parts.
5. The envelope was returned to us by the postal service marked "Nicht abgeholt" (Not claimed), indicating the addressee had not claimed the envelope. Exhibit 2 is a copy of the envelope as returned.
6. On May 29, 2000, Mr. Laroque had earlier sent us an email regarding other U.S. patent applications, where he had refused to sign the Declaration and Power of attorney because of a dispute over bonus payments. Attached as Exhibit 3 is a copy of the email and an English translation.

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Declaration

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Date: August 14, 2001By: 

Bernard Lamoureux